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REFERENCE TO "KANT", Elsa REISS, AND "RITCHIE" (1944)

From: NEW YORK

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To VIKTOR. [1]

3H404  
In a conversation with KANT<sup>[ii]</sup> Elsa REISS<sup>[RAJs]</sup><sup>[iii]</sup> advised of the existence of "RITCHIE"<sup>[iv]</sup> which is known to you

[25 groups unrecovered]

on ABRAMOVICH's<sup>[v]</sup> recommendation. An officer of the ARSENAL<sup>[vi]</sup> told Elsa in confidence that the school is supposed to be training cadres for a new war. Elsa criticised "THE OLD MAN [STARIK]"<sup>[vii]</sup> for setting up a Fourth International considering this a futile business, a spurious attempt expressed regret

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MAY [M.J.]<sup>[viii]</sup>

[Note and Comments overleaf]

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Note: [a] Presumably the internal serial is 874. Since the internal serial of the preceding message is 872, it is likely that this message also contains internal serial no. 873.

Comments: [i] VIKTOR : Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

[ii] KJNT : Mark ZBOROVSKIJ.

[iii] Elsa REISS: Widow of Ignace REISS; also known as Elsa BERNAUT.

[iv] RITCHIE: Probably the Camp RITCHIE reported on in NEW YORK's No. 777-781 of 26th May 1943 (3/NBF/T908) and no. 893 of 10th June 1943 (3/NBF/T909).

[v] ABRAMOVICH: Presumably Rafael ABRAMOVICH, President of the Russian Social Democrats.

[vi] ARSENAL: U.S. War Dept.

[vii] OLD MAN: Lev Davidovich TROTSKIJ.

[viii] MAY: Probably Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice Consul in NEW YORK.

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